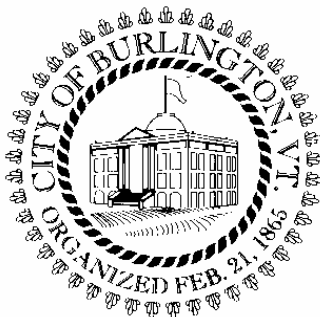


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**STATEMENT OF MAYOR KISS ON BURLINGTON TELECOM PUBLIC SERVICE  
BOARD DECISION**

Burlington, VT – October 13, 2010. Burlington Mayor Bob Kiss issued the following statement today regarding the Vermont Public Service Board's (PSB) decision on Burlington Telecom:

“The PSB decision yesterday confirms the City’s prior acknowledgment of non-compliance with Burlington Telecom’s Certificate of Public Good (CPG). The proceedings before the Board were initiated by the City, and the City has acknowledged non-compliance with conditions of the CPG related to the buildout and the use of pooled cash.

Burlington does not intend to appeal the PSB’s decision and will continue working through the current legal proceedings to develop a plan to cure the violations. Negotiations will also continue with CitiCapital regarding the lease agreement for Burlington Telecom.

Burlington Telecom provides an essential service to the residents and businesses of Burlington. A successful BT means a more successful Burlington. As these issues move forward, the City – with the assistance of the firm of Dorman & Fawcett – will continue doing the necessary work to ensure that BT provides high quality services at a good value to the Burlington community.”